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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 3:4.

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OVER THE TOP AT LAST! THE MOUNTAIN IS IN THE SEA!

THE LAST SEVEN MONTHS DRIVE TO PAY FOR EVANGEL-BUILDING IS OVER AT LAST!

EVANGEL BUILDING FREED FROM DEBT

Now is The Time to Raise The Shout—
Everybody Shout!

OVER THE TOP WITH A SWEEP.

I know there are thousands of eyes looking on the above headlines with joy and gladness. No doubt some will weep for joy, others will shout for joy, while still others will remain calm and quiet and feel the same sense of deep satisfaction.

For about seven long months we have been heaving at this mountain to get it cast into the sea. We have made some strong drives and beat back the enemy time and again, and never have retreated one inch, but with all our efforts, and with all the maneuvering, dexterity, skill and strategy of war, we were never able to go over the top, and force the mountain to go splash into the sea until about eight o'clock on Sunday evening, May 30, 1920. But Hallelujah! When the old shaggy and craggy mountain did topple over she went over with a tremendous sweep of victory.

We are now ready to say the Evangel Building is freed from debt. It now has a home of its own, with no mortgage upon it. Trustees hold the property for the Church of God. Yes, it belongs to all of us and yet it belongs to the Lord. We can say it is the Lord's property, and the Lord has blessed the members of His Church, and the many friends of the Evangel with means to pay for it. No one person has given enough to hurt him. And I doubt very much if any one has given enough to make him feel it.

This great mountain has been cast into the sea by a glad united effort. It has been a loving service. No one has been forced to do anything. Their service has been voluntary. The subject has been mentioned, the needs made known, prayer services called, and united prayers offered up to God. I do not know that I have ever seen anything work out more pleasantly the whole way through. And all the while the machinery has been rolling off the Evangel, Sunday-school literature, books and tracts.

Some have expressed their great surprise that the \$6,367.10 were raised in such a short time. They have acknowledged to me, that, when it was first mentioned, they did not expect it to be paid under two or three years. But surely they must have forgotten that this is the great Church of God, all the members of which stick together and all work together in one great machine. By doing this is proof that we can do something, and this wonderful experience and victory is a great encouragement for us at this time. My eyes fill with tears of gratitude as I deliver this message.

And, beloved, I must confess to you all that this victory is a source of great encouragement to me. It has proved that the members of the Church are determined to stick to their servant who is at the front in the battle and leading the fight. My face will hardly behave itself as I remember how you all love me. I feel the muscles draw and draw and it is only by an effort that I can keep from breaking down completely in sobs and crying right now.

You all know that this battle commenced at a time when the enemy was roaring and making quite a do in his way. Some who had stood with us, and with whom we had taken "sweet counsel," were arrayed against us. They did their best

to break the confidence of the whole church and get them to turn against us. They circulated their literature and used their influence against us—all they could, but the battle was ordered by the Holy Ghost, and we held our peace, and our confidence in our beloved people never wavered. And to-day I love the entire membership, it seems to me, a thousand times more if it could be possible.

Beloved, I certainly do love you good, and your unwavering confidence in me amidst all the evil reports and accusations of treachery is more appreciated than I am able to express. Again, my eyes fill with tears of gratitude to God and love for you, for your love and fidelity to me when the battle was so hard. There never has been the least appearance, amidst it all, of you being afraid to trust me with your money. Sometimes my heart would almost break with love for you when I would receive from unthought of sources, hundreds and hundreds of dollars, yea, thousands of them, for different purposes. Sometimes it seemed to me the more my opposers opposed the more the other people loved me, and I believe it is true. And I feel that we are truly bound up together in Christian love, and fellowship in a way that the enemy will never be able to separate us. The successfulness of this great drive is proof of this statement.

Again my heart is so full that my throat fills up, and another flow to tears comes fresh to my eyes, and my spirit is melted. Beloved, I certainly do love the Church and all of its members. How can I talk good enough to you for standing by me so faithfully in this tremendous strain and under the heavy responsibility that has been upon me?

When the brethren in Council were considering the purchase of the first part of the building, with its additions, and the construction of the last addition, there seemed at first to be some fears of overdoing the matter and making too great a venture, but after much prayer and counsel, and seeing there was only the one thing to do, all consented to it and a perfect agreement was reached with the understanding that your servant should finance the enterprise. And he was willing to do it with the Lord's help. And we are all sure now that the Lord helped.

After the new building was finished, and it was time for special plans to be inaugurated to raise the money to pay the debt, the brethren were again brought into counsel about it. Some few plans were suggested, and some were not considered advisable, and some seemed favorable. But in the council there was no definite plan laid only to act as seemed good as time rolled on and necessity demanded. Really I did not know how to commence. I waited for inspiration and the guidance of the Holy Ghost.

As I look back now I almost wonder at myself. How did I manage to get the work all done, pay the bills when they came due and only had the financial backing of one good brother that helped me get a loan of less than a thousand dollars at the bank? There was no mortgage given, but one man asked to go my security,

the property already deeded to the church and it was not mine. I do not mean what I am saying to be boastful, but it is only to confide in you in a general sense. I do not want to unduly burden you with my cares and burdens, but I believe many of you would love to know just what I am telling you, and I want to gratify your heart's desires.

I did not have the money of my own, and I had to borrow the whole amount, but I can hardly tell now the road I went over. The fact of it is that it was God that helped me over with the whole thing. I say this as another hot wave of tears fills my eyes. Beloved, it was God, and that is about all I can tell. I cannot afford to take time to go into the details about how I had to turn, and plan, and pray, and shiver, and love the Lord and everybody, the Church, and the Evangel, and never told a soul just what I was bearing, nor how I was doing to meet the bills and never let any one know but what I had plenty of money. But thank God! It is over and now is the time to raise the shout—every body shout. And I just feel like the blaze of spiritual fire is about to burst forth from the lips of thousands of people and that the shouts are about to peel forth the praises of God like the voice of many waters.

Not only have the members stood by me in this terrible conflict, but hundreds of friends who are not members of the Church of God have stood with me like a stone wall. But they love the Evangel, and love the editor and his staff and corps of workers. I have heard of some of the outsiders who seemed almost as much enthused about "going over the top," as the members themselves. We have received many letters from loving hearts who said, "I am not a member of the Church of God, but I love the Evangel and I want a part in this drive; here is my little offering." And the amounts have run from 50c up to twenty-five dollars or more.

Well, thank God, we went over the top with a sweep when we did go. Up, up, we went, with a steady march until the very top point was reached, and we were then going at such a rapid rate of speed that we could not stop on the highest crest, so over the top we went and then we started on down the other side. Dollar after dollar kept rolling in. Dollars and dollars came rushing in as a token of a furious sweep down the other side, capturing everything in the way, and using it in a final charge to make such an overwhelming victorious victory that would almost make ones head swim. Here comes another dollar! There another, and another, and so on down the slope until the last I heard of the amount above what was wanted was \$74.41, and I do not know whether the drive is finally over or not.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! The Evangel building is free from debt. Now is the time to raise the shout—every body shout! Thank God! Thank God! Over the top with a sweep.

After the last dollar was paid I told my beloved wife who has always been my help and stay that I felt like running all over the town with a bell in my hand, ringing it with all my might and shouting, Over the top! Over the top!

Again I want to thank you!

I want to thank you again and again! O, beloved friends and fellow soldiers, I want to thank and thank you for standing so bravely with me in this wonderful campaign and for helping me to win this great victory! I love you, O I love you! I know, beloved, that I love you, and love you all I can! My very heart and breast heaves with deep compassionate love for every one of you. I feel that we are bound so firmly together now, and have such confidence in one another, that we are better able to engage in the next great drive that has already been ordered.

The Auditorium and Orphanage are now to follow. We carry over to the Auditorium every cent that it did not take to pay out the Evangel Building debt. The loved ones are coming on nicely with their gifts and loans, but hardly enough yet to make a drop in the bucket to compare with what is needed. We, therefore, want to encourage the friends to give and loan. If you have any money that you will not need for a few months let us have it to work for the Church until you need it. Any amount can be used, small or large sums. We offer 4 per cent interest on loans of six months or longer, but most of those who are loaning do not want the interest. They are happy to have the money in God's work without interest.

Finally, beloved, God bless you all! It is a happy service I am giving to you. I am pouring out my life for you, but it is a pleasure to do it. And I know it makes you feel good to give yourselves to me. That is the secret of our success. I give myself to you and you give yourselves to me, and of course we will succeed, God will always be with us and bless us. So now, on we go for another battle, marching together in line.

"Over the top for Jesus, bravely we will go;
Over the top for Jesus, routing every foe.
Never delaying when we hear the bugle blow—
We'll fight for right
With all our might,
As over the top we go."

Divorce and Remarriage

Inquiries are frequently coming in asking for information about the divorce and remarriage question. I am not able to tell them all they want to know, but I can tell them that the Assembly advises that a divorced person should never marry while their husband or wife is living, no matter what was the cause of the separation. And of course this means that our members must not marry a divorced person under any circumstances. It also means that our ministers must not officiate in marriages when either party has a living husband or wife divorced for any cause. This ruling remains in force while the question remains unsettled by the Assembly.

While on this subject I will also repeat the instructions that have often been given before concerning Church membership of divorced and remarried parties and those who are married to divorced parties. None of these parties are to be received into the Church except where fornication has been the cause of the separation. And careful investigation must be made even when parties claim that fornication was the cause. This matter must be carefully guarded by the ministers when receiving members. But when it is clearly proven that fornication has been the cause for separation then take them in. If anything else has been the cause

SOME LOVING COUNSEL

Deep Spirituality and the Love of God
Will Conquer.

SOME CORRECTIONS NECESSARY.

Only recently it has come to my ears that there is a statement being circulated among some of the churches that each church is required to send one fifth of the tithes to headquarters. How this false statement got started is unknown to me. Why some of our people have come to believing such a report is a mystery when the instructions are before every minister and every church.

I wish to offer some loving counsel to all who may or may not have heard any false reports. If you hear anything that sounds the least bit out of order, or that you do not understand and does not seem right, before you accept it take it to some of your overseers or pastors and get authentic information. If this is not convenient then bring it to headquarters by letter or in person and we will take pleasure in giving an explanation of anything pertaining to the business of the church, its system and organization.

Deep spirituality and the love of God will conquer every false thing that shows its head. I believe our people are possessed with deep spirituality and the love of God, therefore, we will conquer every foe by the help of the Lord. Judging by what we have heard quite recently I believe there are some corrections necessary.

Call attention to the acts of the Assembly concerning the tithes. It was decided that a tithe of all the tithes paid into all the local church treasuries should be sent to headquarters. The ministers on the field that receive freewill offerings are to tithe their free will offerings they receive and send to headquarters. That is all, unless some body just wants to send some money to headquarters just because they want to, but not because they are required to do so. Besides this there are no other tithes sent to headquarters unless some church sends some to forward on to some minister because we know his address and they do not.

My loving counsel to you, beloved, when you hear anyone say that each church is to send two tenths, or one fifth, of the tithes to headquarters, is to kindly inform such a one that he is mistaken and that he got his information from a wrong source. It is also wrong to say that the state overseer gets one tenth of the nine-tenths left in the local treasury. If such has been talked it should be stopped for it is false. The state overseer is to have a share of the amount in the treasury, but there is no certain amount stipulated. It is only advised by the Councilors that each state overseer should be paid a small sum by each local church, and scarcely ever

a less amount than is sent to headquarters, but this is to be regulated by what he needs rather than by tithes. And the state overseer is a man on the field and not at headquarters, therefore, he is to share with the other ministers on the field. In fact, the state overseer is pastor over all the churches in the state in the sense that he has the oversight of all the churches in his state. This being the case the deacons and treasurers should see that their state overseer gets the first draw from the nine tenths after the tithe of the tithes is sent to headquarters. This is loyalty. Anything else is not loyalty. The state overseer must be recognized as holding a high office in the Church. It is equal to Timothy, and Titus, and Paul at one time, and some of the other apostles outside of their apostleship, according to some ancient historians.

I wonder if some are lowering the position of the state overseers. If they are they are making a great mistake. Every state overseer should be esteemed very highly for his work's sake. And their needs should be supplied so they can remain in the work and on the field all the time. Their expenses are higher than the district or local pastors or helpers because they are compelled to do much traveling in order to get over their territory.

The system has been working fine everywhere it has been properly understood and practiced as intended. Let us all pray that God will help us all to understand it and practice it as intended by the Assembly and Council. The Church is prospering under this system more than it ever did under the former practices. Surely God is setting His approval upon it. And if there should be any amendments at any time surely God will reveal it to the Assembly or Council.

Cumberland Furnace, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—
Greeting in Jesus' Dear Name:
I praise God for keeping me until this present time, for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. I am trying to work in His vineyard.

I am a little girl fourteen years old and I am glad that I can say I am one of the despised few. I praise Him for His healing power.

I have four sisters in the Lord, pray for us that we may stand true and be a band as one. Praise God.

Your humble sister, under the blood of Christ,
Fannie Neblett.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—
Greetings to You in the Name of Jesus Our Soon Coming King:

I am still saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire.

"Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof." Rom. 6:12.

"And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness." Rom 8:10.

S. C. James.

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The Lord is with us and we are going on.

Sorry the paper is late again this week, due to paper shortage. We still hope the paper market will be better soon.

The two kinds of song books, "His Voice and Song" and "Jehovah's Praise" are still going at 35c each and \$3.50 per dozen post paid.

Remember each Sunday-school has been ordered by the Assembly to tithe the offerings and send to headquarters as a Sunday-school mission fund.

We want thousands of tract distributors. We have the tracts and are selling them at a very low price and we want help to distribute them. Get a supply at 25c per hundred and help us.

We are pleased to announce this week that we have secured J. B. Ellis of Alabama City, Ala. as first teacher in the Church of God Bible Training School that opens Sept. 27, 1920. Brother Ellis is an experienced teacher of public schools, was a Methodist minister a number of years, and has been a Bishop in the Church of God for about ten years, and a fine Bible scholar. While the school has been progressing nicely in the past we expect for it to take on a new interest next term. We want fifty students enrolled for attendance in the next sixty days. Let us hear from those who expect to attend. Write for prospectus if you are interested.

While we hastily dot down these notes the Great Camp-Meeting at Wimauma, Fla., is in full blast. Brief reports tell of great blessings falling. They say there is the largest attendance that has ever been there, and "many are getting saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. The fellowship is great." This is good news. The Church of God is moving forward at a rapid rate in Florida. The ministers are loyal and all the workers seem to be doing their best. We love them all dearly with a compassionate love far beyond the natural. How I would love to be with them tonight.

The Fans! The Fans! Don't forget we have hot weather fans to fan with in hot weather. Every fan has on it a gospel message. They are fine to hand to a friend. He will appreciate the fan and will read the message. By passing out these fans you will be a blessing to people. We still have a small supply of

the old stock at the old price 5c each, 35c per dozen, and \$2.25 per hundred postpaid. The new stock are beauties and will come higher, 50c per dozen and \$2.60 per hundred post paid. Every Sunday-school and church ought to have a supply. Ministers or others should order them to sell and use in the meetings. Camp-meetings and revivals need them by the hundreds.

The work on the Auditorium is still moving on. The expenses are great. Please pray all you can for God to send us means to meet the big bills.

You need the Bible Cases to save your Bibles during the hot weather. 2 Clasp, medium size, \$2.25. Extra large \$2.50, post paid. Give us size of your Bible when ordering a case.

Jesus Only, Sunday School, and Church of God buttons, all for 45c per dozen post paid.

If you want a nice Bible send for price list.

Ladies' Hand Bags, \$2.50 post paid.

Book of Instructions on the whole Bible by M. S. Lemons. 25c each.

Do not fail to press the Home Class work in the Sunday-school. Order the Home class quarterlies, and the coin envelopes for the Home Class students to put their offerings in. These little envelopes are specially prepared for this work and contains instruction every student needs. They cost 1c each.

The Sunday-school interests are still growing. This fact is a source of great joy. We are preparing a much larger supply of literature for next quarter than ever before. Orders for next quarter are already coming in. That is right, get your orders in early to avoid the rush right at the last. Many of the schools will need to increase the amount of their orders. Some of the schools have about doubled the attendance. Thanks be unto God!

We are glad to hear of the work opening up in so many new places. The Church is going into new states—spreading rapidly. We are expecting churches in Iowa and Nebraska soon. The workers are working good. It reminds me of Apostolic days when they "went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following."

The New Song Books edited and compiled by E. Haynes and M. S. Lemons are expected to be ready for distribution about the first of July. These brothers have taken great pains in selecting and preparing these songs specially to suit the Church of God. Surely the Book will be the best for our use. Buy them and try them, and tell us how you like them. Get your order in before hand if you want to be served first. The price is 30c each post paid, \$3.00 per dozen.

Get the best experience you can find, and of course you will get it through Jesus and in the Bible way. This is the only kind that is worth anything. The blood makes clean, and the Holy Ghost comes in to abide forever, and when He comes He always talks in some other tongue.

Requests

Mable Newton, Eldorado, Ill., requests prayer for her husband that he may be saved.

Julia F. Piner, Bogue, N. C., desires all the Church of God saints to earnestly pray for her that she may be reclaimed.

Annie Mason of Woodbury, N. J., wants the saints to pray

that she may be healed of bronchial trouble.

Emma Butler, Carbon Hill, Ala., has very weak eyes and wants the saints to pray that they may be healed.

J. W. Scarbrough of Eldorado, Ill., wants the saints to pray for him. He desires to work for the Lord.

Lener Smithers, Allisonia, Va., requests prayer that he may be saved. Also pray that his sisters and brothers may be saved.

A. J. Ham, O'Brien, Fla., is seeking for the Holy Ghost and wants prayer of the saints. Also pray that he may hold out faithful.

Mary Massengill of Jefferson City, Tenn., requests prayer for her husband that he may be healed of stomach trouble.

Sister Bonnie Franks of Charlotte, N. C., asks prayer of the saints that the Lord will heal her of a growth on her neck. And that she may go through with the Lord.

Etta Smith, Dennis, Miss., asks prayer of the saints that her husband may receive the Holy Ghost. Also pray that she may stay true and humble at the foot of the cross and do the will of God.

Mrs Estell Parker of White Pine, Tenn., wants the saints to pray that her husband may be saved. He is in the hospital. Also pray that she may stay humble at Jesus' feet.

Mrs. C. A. James, Sherwin Junction, Kans., requests prayer of the saints that the Lord will keep her in the faith and standing true to the doctrine of Christ. Also please pray for her little son. He has kidney trouble.

Mrs. Jennie Roberts, King Mountain, N. C., asks special prayer of the saints that her daughter may be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Also pray that a Church of God minister may come to their place. The meetings could be held in her home to begin with.

Aizada Mills, Red Bay, Ala., wants the saints to pray that her husband and little boy may receive the Holy Ghost. Also pray that her children may grow in grace and not be led off by the things of the world and that she will stay humble.

Dorrisville, Ill.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: I am glad to report complete victory in my body and soul. Bless God.

Brother Yates, our pastor, held a meeting here in Dorrisville. He preached the full gospel in power, many got under conviction and shed tears. It seemed like most of them resisted and stayed away from the altar but there were sixteen that prayed through and were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, three were added to the church and others will follow later.

I praise God for the old way of the cross and the old time fire that stirs the devil and gives us the victory in Jesus' name. It is sweet to my soul.

One night about ten o'clock I had a hemorrhage of the lungs and bled all night. I was entirely submitted to God's will, expecting Him to stop the blood. My wife and son said something would have to be done. I thought of what James said in Jas. 5:14. I wasn't sick, but was bleeding to death. If I didn't get help, I sent for Brother Yates, a man of God. He and another brother prayed the prayer of faith and the work was done. Bless God. I give Him all the glory, it is wonderful what God will do for us if we will obey and trust Him. I want to live at His feet and hear His voice and do His will.

Pray for me and my dear ones that we may be an unbroken family above.

Your brother in Christ, Jerry Miller.

Government

Chastaine Scarbrough

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this." Isa. 9:7.

Some seem to think there is no need for government. But Isaiah says, "The government shall be upon his shoulder" and "of the increase of his government there shall be no end." I suppose there is need for government or Isaiah would not have said any thing about it.

The church needs government as well as anything else. There are some who despise government but we are told in the Bible that they would. Here is a good illustration of them. "But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities." 2 Pet. 2:10. Yes, this is the people who despise government. They also despise the leaders—overseers etc. But the Church needs government just the same.

These same people have no use for Heb. 13:17. "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief, for that is unprofitable for you." "But I beseech you the rather to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner." Heb. 13:19. You see all things work together for good to them that love God.

"And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healing, helps, governments, diversities, of tongues." 1 Cor. 12:28. God hath set them in the Church of God, the only Bible church? The one Jesus said "the gates of hell should not prevail against."

Then let us take a bold stand for the Church of God and her government with all her gifts and graces. Let us move forward on the field and wave the banner high till Jesus comes or calls.

Whosoever Will

Mrs. H. E. Wright

Oh! why should I be lost? The water of life is free for all. And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. "And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Rev. 22:17. He gave His life to save our souls out of that awful burning hell. Come while yet there is room, to-morrow may be too late, work while it is yet day, the night cometh when no man can work. He has gone to prepare a mansion just over in the glory land. It is not made with hands. Praise His dear name. He paid the price, thieves can't break through and steal.

Jesus said, "If I go and prepare a place for you I will come again." Are you ready? If not, why? Why will you longer put it off? There is a city called heaven and there is room for you in that land, where there will be no more sorrow and no tears will dim the eyes. "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away." Rev. 21:4.

"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your soul." Matt. 11:28, 29. There is room for all, remember how He suffered. His hands and feet were nailed to the cross that WHOSOEVER WILL may come.

"For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth

for a little time, and then vanisheth away." James 4:14. "Be ye also patient; establish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh." James 5:8. "Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." John 5:39. "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Prov. 14:12.

"Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee." Rev. 3:3.

Oneness

T. C. McCall

Is Christ divided? 1 Cor. 1:13. When we consider this text and then think about the condition the world is in in regard to denominations it brings to my mind a song I heard some colored folks sing some time ago in a tent meeting. The chorus was, "Somebody is wrong about the Bible. I do not know how many denominations we have in the world but I suppose there are more than seven hundred and all claim to be right. Yet all believe differently and have different forms of government. Then the question comes to us as it did to the Corinthian church, Is Christ divided?"

Friends, we ought to be interested in this subject and study it carefully because somebody is wrong as sure as you live. Some say it doesn't make any difference what church you belong to just so you are a Christian, go ahead and worship together. I have seen this tried all my life and it doesn't work well. You may think you are getting along all right for awhile but something will leak out somewhere that will cause division.

"Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple." Rom. 16:17, 18. It is a little unpleasant to be so plain in the face of so much opposition but I take the position that denominations were never ordered by the Lord, but are the result of people getting divided which of course was caused by the devil. Many people agree that there isn't but one church but say all the Christians in the different churches belong to it. Now we know that if Mr. A. belongs to the Methodist church he is bound to believe in Methodist government or else there is a division in his own church. If Mr. B. belongs to the Baptist church he believes in Baptist government or there is a division in his church. Now can Mr. A. and Mr. B. both obey this Scripture and one be a Methodist and the other a Baptist?

"Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no division among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." 1 Cor. 1:10. This verse of Scripture itself is enough to show any pliable person that there cannot be but one true church.

I will give you more Scripture showing the condition of the early church before these denominations ever started. "They were all of one accord." Acts 2:1. "And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul." Acts 4:32. "Stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel." Phil. 1:27.

There are other Scriptures that I could give but time and space won't allow it. I am leaving this unfinished but the Scriptures I have given you in Acts show that the church was one in that day and the other show that the apostle was using his influence to keep it so. We can easily see that somebody is wrong but I am glad to know that somebody is right. I will agree that just here comes the question, Who is right? The Church of God.

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And when this day was fully come, They met with one accord; To tarry for the Holy Ghost, Which was promised by the Lord.

As of a rushing mighty wind, From heaven there came a sound; And cloven tongues like as of fire, Upon each of them were found.

They were all filled with the Holy Ghost; And with other tongues did speak; For Christ had ascended into heaven, And sent the "Comforter" sweet.

Now when this was noised abroad, Greatly amazed the people were: "What meaneth this?" they cried, For their own language they did hear.

"These men are full of new wine," Some people mocking said; But Peter with the eleven stood, For he was not afraid.

These men are not drunken as ye suppose, He unto them did say; "For how can they be drinking, And this the third hour of the day?"

But this is the prophecy being fulfilled, Of which Joel told you all; And this same promise is unto you, From the great ones to the small.

For Christ said He would pray the Father, The Comforter to send; The Holy Ghost—who, teaching them Would lead them to the end.

So this same promise is unto us, That we may have more power; As the baptism of the Holy Ghost Always brings a heavenly shower!

Thank God for His blessed Holy Ghost! The holy Comforter sweet; He makes us say kind loving words To every one we meet.

It makes a man more Christ like, This Holy Ghost so true; So when he prays for his brethren He'll pray for the sinners too.

Christ said to His disciples, When ascending into heaven; "Ye shall be endued with power After the Holy Ghost is given."

If some people of to-day, The Holy Ghost would find; They wouldn't keep on persecuting "The Church of God" so kind.

But instead they'd love each other With a kind and loving heart; And from the dear Old "Church of God," They never would depart.

"Praise God," Your sister for Christ, Lucy Kelley.

Report

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All Of the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

We have just closed a meeting at Delta, Miss. The Lord blessed us and the people also. There were two saved, ten sanctified and four baptized with the Holy Ghost. Praise God. We set a church in order with eleven members, seventeen with those that were transferred. Brother E. B. Culpepper was with us Saturday and Sunday nights before it closed.

Pray for the people there. Also pray that I may do what the Lord wants me to do.

The devil is seeking whom he may devour.

Yours in the battle for the Lord,

W. E. Raney.

Reality of Demons
(DEMONOLOGY)

F. J. Lee

To the reality and personality of demons the Word gives abundant evidence. I know the devil is trying to eliminate this from the mind of man, yet there is abundant evidence from those who have had actual experience with demons. This being in harmony with what the Word of God teaches makes us understand and fully confident of the fact that the human race is daily and continually in contact with myriads of demons. I am sure this will be difficult for many to grasp as, being the truth, nevertheless, we must proclaim it to the ends of the earth. It is as important to know the workings of demons, their malignant desires and intentions, snares and pitfalls, cunning devices etc. as to know the joy and gladness and good things on the other side of the question.

In traveling in a car along the public highway we enjoy the good road, but we are continually looking for a washout, a cut or an obstruction as we go along, lest the car should be thrown into a ditch. Many times cars have run up against a log which was placed across the road by some one who was hidden under the brush by the road side, and were suddenly brought to a stop. The occupants are soon in the hands of robbers; they lose their money and perhaps their lives. It is the same with demons.

In a former article we brought out the thought that demon meant "knowing one." Like the robbers, they know we are passing along from time to eternity. They are throwing every obstruction they can in the way to hinder us; they want to rob us of our character, our influence, our health, our usefulness, our life and our home in heaven. While we are very anxious to tell men about the good road that leads from earth to glory, we are also anxious to point out the pitfalls, side tracks and obstructions to the pilgrims as they pass along. Not this only, but we want to step back to the under bush and pull the cover off the robbers (demons) and expose to plain view these infernal spirits that the passerby may not be taken unaware, but will, while on the watch, be better prepared to cope with these "undermining robbers."

The first hiding place we shall attack is the cover they are hiding under while they are destroying the health of the human race. Scientists present to us their view on the cause of disease. They have a theory concerning every disease. New diseases are continually presenting themselves, which the Word teaches would take place in the last days and physicians are much perplexed about the cause etc.; but if they would seek to know what the Word says about these things, many of them would throw down their pill bags like Dr. Luke did and would pray for the sick and cast out demons, thereby holding up the plain teaching of the Word of God.

After being shipwrecked Paul, with Luke and others, landed on an island. The sick were brought to Paul and he didn't say, "Very well, we have a good physician with us, just bring them on." He at once presented them to the "Great Physician" who at once healed them of their diseases.

Away back in the Old Testament dispensation there were physicians and they were often called, but it was invariably for dead folks. The physicians were used in that day to embalm the dead. I wonder if it would be saying too much to say that that real live folks of today are not calling the physicians of the world but are taking their cases to the Great Physician. I mean the folks who are alive spiritually, alive to the deep things of God. As Paul teaches, "dead to the things of the world, but alive to Christ."

The physicians of old were called for the purpose of preserving the dead body as a mummy. In other words, they were called to mummify the dead body. So figuratively speaking, if a saint of God turns from the Great Physician after He has done so much for him, perhaps has healed his

body, it seems to me that one would have to die to some extent spiritually, if not entirely dead. If that once victorious saint now calls a physician of the world to come with his drugs, this has a tendency every time to mummify the subject until at last he stands as a spiritual mummy, not having any spiritual victory, can't testify to the thing that seems to stir the devil the most—divine healing.

Dear ones, he is under the brush, let us steer clear of him that we may not be caught by demon traps and robbed of our spirituality and health.

I am not throwing stones at the physicians nor the Christians, but I want to hit that demon right between the eyes that is hiding under a false cover and has the greater part of this world deceived while he is robbing them of their spirituality, health and usefulness. While perhaps none can say with Paul, "We are not ignorant of Satan's devices," with the same degree of confidence that Paul could, but thanks be to God, we are not entirely ignorant of his working, and more and more as we march along the cover will be pulled aside and will expose many of the infernal robbers and their fiendish acts.

Demons a reality? Certainly they are. We shall continue this thought in the next division of the subject.

(To be continued)

Request for Prayer.
Dear Evangel Readers Every-

where:
I am not a member of the Church of God, neither does the Holy Ghost abide.

I joined the Baptist church a number of years ago and have since been trying to live a life that would please God. But, friends, I haven't done enough yet. Since I began reading the Evangel I have seen more of the light of God. I want the saints one and all to pray earnestly for me that the Holy Ghost may abide and speak in other tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance.

My heart's desire is to be a true and shining light for my Savior and lead lost souls to Him. I realize that the coming of Christ will not be long and Oh! how my heart aches for those that are lost. I want the power of God so that I can tell the lost world more about our precious Savior.

Oh! friends, pray for me that I may have this blessed experience that leads our souls to know more about Christ.

I am seeking full salvation and hope to soon let the Evangel readers know that I have it.

Love to all,
Mamie Parker.

Gone but Not Forgotten

On May 23, 1920, the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cohen of Miami, Fla., and claimed their darling child, little Elma, after much suffering. We can not understand why the Lord took our darling child but He knows best and doeth all things well.

Weep not, father, mother and little brothers, Elma is at rest with Jesus awaiting the resurrection. Dear sweet baby we loved her so, but Jesus loved her best and we know she is at rest with Him.

Minnie B. Minus.

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Jinkerson, May 19, 1920, and claimed their little girl, Lottie, age 5 years, seven weeks and 3 days.

Farewell, farewell, our darling pet, As we look on in deep regret; To say good-bye to one so sweet, But hope some day again to meet.

And to the Lord we give the praise, Who said some day we all would raise;

To meet our friends and loved ones too,

And join with Him beyond the blue,

Oh, then, dear friends, set us free,

And seize the everlasting prize;

And then some day we all shall be, With her through all eternity.

A friend,
D. P. Barnett.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Inglett, Augusta, Ga., died May 22, 1920. He has gone to be with Jesus. God in His wisdom saw fit to call our precious darling home.

It was sad indeed to part with

Him but God knows best. We loved our darling little babe but Jesus loved Him best. We want to live so that we can meet his beautiful shining face in glory where there will be no tears to ever moisten the eye, neither will there be any heart aches there.

Little Archie is survived by his parents, three sisters and one brother. His body was laid away to rest in the Pine Grove cemetery to await the resurrection morning.

There are little voices singing in that home on high,

I want to go and hear them, yes I do;

They are happy O, so happy that they never cry,

I want to go and hear them, don't you?

His grandmother,
Mamie Inglett.

Notices

A revival will begin at Eldorado, Ill., June 5. Brother Garrett White from Corbin, Ky., will be in charge. All are invited to come. Pray for us.

C. D. Hudgins, clerk.

The Raymond district convention will be held at Caloh church, at Catchings, Miss., before the third Sunday in June. Brother C. A. Churchill will preach on the church and her government. Other preachers will be here. Everybody welcome.

G. T. Cook.

I wish to enquire through the Evangel if any one has a tent that is not being used. I need one very much. I feel like I ought to preach all the time but I cannot get a tent. May the dear Lord make a way for me.

Lee Wilson,
Caryville, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

We expect to begin a meeting and covet the prayers of all the saints of God that it may be a success and that many souls will be won for God. We mean by the help of God and the co-operation of the saints to win the battle. Let us all work together and press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

This is a new field and we have no house to hold services in but we are going to get a tent if it is the Lord's will. Pray that God may open the way for us to have a Church of God established here. Brother G. F. Danehower is with us. We believe he is a real child of God.

Your servant in Christ,
John R. Rash,
Exline, Iowa.

I would like for some Church of God minister or a band of workers who want to hold a meeting to come to Oneida, Tenn. They would have to bring a tent along as there is no house that we could get. We need the full gospel preached here. I never saw a place where the harvest field is more ripe than here. People want something more than just repentance.

I am a minister of the Church of God and will help hold the meeting if my help is needed. Oneida is a large place. Please let me hear from you soon as I would like to have the meeting begin as soon as possible.

Your brother in the Lord's work,

Perry Hawn,
Oneida, Tenn.

Notice and Report
Sanford, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

The church at Sanford has recently been organized into the great Church of God and united to the great body of saints. The little band of saints here find much joy in being members of the great Church of God. Praise God. We ask the prayers of the saints that we all may be bold members of the Church of God.

The saints have done a great deal of mission work for the Lord. He has wonderfully used the saints at Sanford, in healing the sick and casting out devils. In Oakland, Fla., thirty people have been saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost through the people of God at Sanford.

Praise God's holy name for His way.

Brother Glover Sapp is pastor of the little band at Sanford.

Elmore E. Bronson, clerk
J. H. Griffin, deacon
Robt. Cary, deacon.

WANTED—A girl anywhere from three to ten years old to raise. She will have good training and will be cared for like she was our own child. We are members of the Church of God.

J. W. Bailey,
Calhoun, Ga. R. 5.

From the Battlefield

John Attey, pastor of the church at West Frankfort, Ill., reports the close of a nineteen days meeting which was wonderful. Brother W. M. Rumlér of W. Va., and Brother Tony Ford of Carmi, Ill., were with us part of the time. God blessed them in giving out the Word. Eleven were saved, three sanctified and three baptized with the Holy Ghost. This is a ripe field for labor. Pray for them.

Z. D. Simpson reports that the Alabama State Assembly was held May 8th and 9th at Dora, Ala. The meeting continued until the 18th. Brother M. S. Lemons preached with demonstration and power of the Spirit, ten were saved and sanctified, five reclaimed and several received the Holy Ghost and talked in tongues. Many hardened men and women were broken up and only eternity will tell the good done. The saints were fed and strengthened and the church built up in general. We are expecting Brother Lemons to teach a Bible school.

Received Baptism After
Reading First Page Article.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: There is no church or Sunday school here but I am going to try and organize a Sunday school in my home. I don't belong to the Church of God but I will just as soon as I can get where one is organized.

I was baptized with the Holy Ghost May 15, 1920. I was reading the sermon of May 8th. It is true that we all ought to be ready and I began to pray for God to have His way. And at 10:30 o'clock, Oh glory, I began to speak in tongues and Oh! what a glorious time I had with the Lord. Praise His name.

I want all to pray for me to stand true for there is no one here that believes in this way. Your sister under the blood,
Mrs. Rosa Barber.

Louisville, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: I want to sound a note of praise to our great King of kings and Lord of lords. Glory to His name for victory.

We are at a little place called Edgewood, a suburb of Louisville. There is no church here, but God is here. During the service last night the power fell and all at once there came a sound as of a great rushing wind and I heard something in the altar as though some one had fallen or struck the house. I was so under the power I could not tell. But the sinners that were in the house said that nothing hit the house but it was in the altar. Others said that the house shook and trembled. One sinner said something ran over him, and his hair felt like it stood straight on his head. He was so scared. Glory to God.

I want the world to know that our God is true. Thank God for victory. Pray for me and mine. Your old brother looking for Jesus to come soon,
H. L. Trim.

Blountsville, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and the Dear Saints and Evangel Readers Everywhere:

I am still praising God for full and free salvation and for the way He has led me and for the blessed Comforter that abides in my soul. Bless His sweet name.

I want to say that I am more firmly established on the Church of God than ever before. I have been in services a great deal with unorganized

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saints, and have seen the power manifested through them enough to keep me a little unbalanced or undecided for some time, but praise God, I can see the true light now. I have watched very carefully and prayerfully on both sides for I wanted to follow the right way. I am glad that I belong to the Church of God and I mean to go all the way with Jesus. Bless His name.

I am anxious to get out in the work for the harvest is great and the laborers are few. My whole heart's desire is to win souls for Christ.

The Way to Heaven

There is just one way to heaven. For Jesus tells us so; Lay down all sin, and follow Him; He'll show you the way to go.

The way is strait and narrow, And few that walk therein; But those who stay in the narrow way, Are pure and free from sin.

There are so many people, Who think they are living right; They read the Word of our dear Lord, But they won't accept the light.

They go to church on Sunday, They are so nice and grand; They sit and gaze, while the minister prays, And talk of the promised land.

They hate the name of holiness, They say "it will not do," "That mortal man can't keep from sin."

But we know it is not true. They call us "holy rollers," And "Satan's noisy crew;" But we are no better than Jesus Christ, They called Him a devil too.

Christ said, "If ye live godly, Persecutions ye shall bear," And praise the Lord, I believe His Word, And I'm willing to take my share.

The love of God is burning, Down in my heart I know; And the more old Satan fans the flame, The brighter it will grow.

I once was bound by Satan, Was blind and could not see; But Christ laid down His royal crown, And came and set me free.

Oh! this old time religion, It sometimes makes me shout; When Jesus came into my heart, He ruled the devil out.

Some day we'll meet our Saviour, And praise Him around His throne; Blest Lamb of God, who split His blood, To sanctify His own.

If you want to go to heaven, Get in this narrow way; 'Twill lead you straight to the heavenly gate, For there is no other way.

Dear Saints, hold me up in your prayers.

L. A. Baker.

Crab Orchard, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints of the Church of God Everywhere—Greetings in Jesus' name:

I am glad today finds me on the strait and narrow road which leads from earth to heaven.

I am still saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and when each day and night is past I know I am one day nearer my heavenly home. I have many loved ones gone on before and I get hungry to go and long to see them, but most of all I want to see my dear Savior.

I have many trials, troubles and temptations but Jesus has said He would be with me all the way and that He will never leave nor forsake me.

I love the Church of God and her teaching more every day for I know it doesn't teach anything but the Bible truth. I have started to live a Bible life and by the help and grace of God I mean to go all the way.

I intend to trust Him for the healing of my body for I know He has healed me many times when man would have failed.

I want all the saints to pray for me that I may stay humble and do His precious will and pray for my family that they may come this way before it is too late.

A sister for lost souls,
Mrs. H. E. Wright

Heflin, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints and Readers of the Evangel:

I am glad I am on victory's side. I thank God for the way He has led me and that He ever picked me up out of sin and placed me on this highway of holiness.

I saw the light on the Church of God for several years but some how I could not give up to be "One of them" but I went to the Assembly and was sanctified by the blood of Jesus and am now a member of the dear old Church of God and am seeking the Holy Ghost.

Our church is progressing nicely also our Sunday school. Brother Watson of near Pell City is our pastor, and we all think he is a fine man and we are hoping we will accomplish great things here this year.

Pray earnestly for us here and especially pray that I may receive the Holy Ghost.

Your sister under the blood,
Mrs. W. M. Blake.

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Dear Brother Tomlinson, and
All the Dear Saints:

I can truly say the Lord is my strength and my helper in every time of need. I am fully trusting Him for all things knowing that His word is true and that He will not forsake me as long as I hold to His unchanging hand. Glory to God.

I know the Comforter still abides for He speaks for Himself every day. I am doing all I can to hold up Jesus to the world by my life. I want to live so close to God that when I come in contact with people that they will know that I am "One of His."

I love to read the Evangel and am fully trusting the Lord for soul and body.

I am deprived of the privilege of attending church as we have moved a great distance from the church where I belong and only those who have moved away from the church can tell how dear it is to them.

We ask an interest in the prayer of every saint and trust He will send some one up here to preach and establish a church and let the dear people know there is a way of holiness.

May God bless the Church of God and all her interests is my prayer.

Mrs. Della Ivey

Reid, Mrs.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and
all the Saints—Greetings in Jesus Name:

I want to sound a note of praise through the blessed Evangel for God's love. He opened the way for me to receive a copy of the Evangel. Thank God. It is the only real preaching I ever get to read and it is real soul food for me.

I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost, and the way grows sweeter day by day. I am not a member of the church of God but long to be, there is no church that I know of in thirty miles of me. I am one of those that are despised for the sake of the Church of God. I thank God and just take courage and raise the banner higher for Jesus' sake.

There are many who are seeking for the Holy Ghost but will not confess it. They love the praise of men more than the praise of God, but God knows they would not confess it or suffer shame for His name. Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Only one returned to give God glory. Isn't that a sad picture? "There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger and He said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole." This one turned back "and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at his feet giving him thanks."

Many an honest saint has missed a blessing by not giving his voice in praise to God. "Praise ye him all his angels: Praise ye him, all his hosts. Praise ye him, sun and moon, praise him, all ye stars of light. Praise him for his mighty acts: Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: Praise him with the timbrel and dance, praise him with stringed instruments and organs. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord."

"Praise the Lord, O my soul, praise him for evermore, let the saints be joyful in glory, let the high praise be in their mouth: Praise ye the Lord for it is good to sing praises unto our God, for it is pleasant and praise is comely. O give thanks unto the Lord, for his mercy endureth forever."

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction. O give thanks unto the Lord, make known his deeds among the people, talk ye of all his wondrous works. Glory ye in his holy name. Glory to God in the highest; and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Thank God for a church that stands and takes the New Testament for her discipline. This church will stand the test at the end of the days for her foundation is founded upon a

rock and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it for she teaches the way of life everlasting. We should take instructions from her. I find in this way love, joy, peace and contentment, continually like a river of living water. How my soul does feast on the bread of life. Glory! Glory!

Dear readers, let us do more to get the Evangel and books in new homes this year. I let a woman read my book, "The Last Great Conflict," she had been seeking the Holy Ghost six years. After praying and trusting for it above everything else, He came in like a mighty rustling wind which she could hear and feel. The glory that was revealed to her in her room that night was wonderful. It had been five or six months since she had heard a sermon preached but reading the sermons were a great benefit to her.

She said, "O the glory that came to me is unspeakable." The love, joy and peace were only a foretaste of what was revealed to her. She was moved by the power without any effort of her own, this experience will be remembered by her forever. It was the Comforter which may abide with her forever.

I also trust the Lord for the healing of my body. I suffer sometimes and it seems like the pain will take my very life, but Jesus comes to my rescue after a few hours suffering.

I want to tell about a healing that took place in our neighborhood five years ago. A little child had been given up by the physician, the father came to my home and asked me to pray for it, so I knelt and prayed until the Spirit seemed to say, "Ask whether the child will live," so I asked Him. The Holy Ghost spoke for Himself, "The child shall live, shall live indeed."

I told the father to go and tell the mother, "Your child shall live, shall live indeed." This was a real mystery to even me to think the Word had gone forth, to be spoken of for years.

In the morning I made a call to this home, the child was very low and the physician shook his head and said, "No change for the better."

After some time every one had left the room but the father, mother and myself. We knelt and prayed and poured out our hearts to God for the child to be healed. The Spirit revealed to me again, "The child shall live, shall live indeed."

After the prayer while we were watching the child, we saw he was beginning to revive. O! the glory that was in that room as he held out his hands to go to the father and then to the mother and they both to gether were skipping and praising God all over the room, and Bob with a sweet smile on his face in their arms as they praised and magnified God for His healing. They had lost four of their children and the Lord had spared this one in answer to prayer. Praise His holy name.

This was done before we ever heard of the Church of God. I have believed in divine healing ever since I became a Christian.

It is wonderful how the Spirit moves upon God's saints. We are a peculiar people, let us walk softly before our God, do good to our enemies, bless them that persecute us, pray for them that despitefully use us. By so doing we will be blessed.

If any Church of God people at Houston, Miss., read this testimony please write me at once.

Pray for me, and my companion that he may be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, also our surroundings that the unsaved may see the light and press into it, for I fear that some one will meet us in the judgment with an awful frown and say if your light had shone brighter I would not have lost the way.

We need the saints' prayers that the crooked road may be made straight and that the rough roads be made plain that we may do more in the vineyard in the future than we have ever done in the past.

May the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with each one that reads these lines, is my prayer.

Mrs. Katie Free.

To The Missionaries
I take this opportunity to offer my tribute of praise and respect to the missionaries who have heard the gentle voice of the blessed Spirit saying, "Forward go." They have left the association of friends and the comforts of the "Home Land." Yes, a life of ease for one of sacrifice and service for the Master who said, "The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few." Such sacrifices for the sake of Him who gave the great Commission, and those who are sinking down in the night and blight of sin going to Christless graves constitute one of the most glorious pages of the world's history. The missionaries who devote their life to such service deserve the gratitude and support of mankind and should be classed with the world's heroes.

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Don't ever give up, God will supply all your needs.

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Sunday night we had a surprise (well it was not exactly what was meant to be.) Nearly every one who came to church brought something. Can you imagine it? Five sacks of flour, two buckets of lard, nearly half a middling of meat, a large piece of ham, all kinds of dried and canned fruit, butter, butter milk, eggs and syrup. I thank God, He supplies all my needs.

Beloved, don't give up, press on, breathe the air that has the smoke of the battle. Stay the lion, turn his carcass into a bee hive from which you may eat the best honey you ever saw. We are not worthy of honey if we shun the hives because the bees have stings. We must suffer some for God, but keep humble, press on! He will reward the faithful.

It is not every one who says, "Lord, Lord, but he that doeth the will of our Father." Matt. 7:21. Hear Brother Paul, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." 2 Tim. 4:7.

Oh! brother and sister, so many have given up, let us fight a good fight and keep the faith. Don't give up!

I mean to go through by His grace. Pray for us.

Your little sister working for the salvation of souls at Mt. Olive.

Mary Howell,
Cleveland, Tenn. Route 9.

Manatee, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and
Readers of the Evangel—Greetings in Jesus Name:

We have just closed a meeting at this place. The Lord wonderfully blessed, two were saved, one sanctified and two received the Holy Ghost and several seekers at the altar. Some of the workers and seekers had the influenza during the meeting but they obeyed the Scripture and called for the elders of the church to pray over them. They were healed and back in service again. He is always ready to fulfill His promise.

Brother F. J. Lee was with us the last night of the meeting. We were glad to have him with us and to listen to his inspiring sermon.

God is working at this place, the saints are all on fire—for God and testified to being blessed in the meeting. We are praying for a great revival to break out at this place and expecting it to come.

Your brother and sister under the blood,

E. E. Simmons and wife.

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Circleville, Ohio.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and
All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I praise the Lord for the way He is blessing in Circleville. We had a grand revival, nineteen were saved, seventeen sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and fifteen were added to the church. Brother Rollins is giving out the Word in all its fullness.

I praise the Lord for a full and free salvation and I thank Him for the healing power. I trust my soul, body and all in the hands of Jesus. My throat was afflicted and I sent for an anointed handkerchief but before it got here I began to get better and now I am well. The Lord surely is working in these last days.

Pray for me that I may stay humble and be a soul winner for Jesus.

Your sister,
Martha Wagner.

Point, Texas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and
Evangel Readers:

I seldom see a letter from Texas so want to represent our state and tell every one through the Evangel that the "latter rain" has fallen out here as well as elsewhere, that the precious Church of God shines as a bright morning star, even here at Point.

Brother H. N. Scoggins, our overseer and pastor, preaches for us once a month and the Lord surely does bless. All of us have the baptism of the Holy Ghost and many are seeing and believing in the way. Truly we can see greater things ahead.

The Lord wonderfully heals us when we get sick because we trust Him "that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us." Eph. 3:20. I have been healed twice when I thought I couldn't live but a few minutes longer. Thank the dear Lord.

We want the saints everywhere to pray for us that we may always measure up to the standard of holiness, pure and undefiled.

A sister of the house of faith,
Nolas Havens.

McRoberts, Ky.

To all of the Dear Saints Scattered Abroad Over the World:
I wish to exhort you in Jesus' dear name to be aware of men that come in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are full of deceit and lust. We know we are living in a great age and the devil is working hard to tear down God's kingdom.

I praise the dear Son of God for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost and fire.

We ought to stay at the foot of the cross at all times so that God can get glory out of our lives. We are facing a dangerous time and can easily tell the past and present but we are unable to tell what the future will bring. Therefore, let us watch for the enemy on every hand and examine ourselves thoroughly to find the weakest points and guard against Satan with the power that God will

give us. Let us not compromise with him in anyway. God wants a clean people who will not fall or faint by the wayside. He wants soldiers that will fight hard when the battle gets hot and persecutions begin to roll. May God help us to always stay in the right path.

Josh Howard.

Nassau, Bahamas

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

God has called me out into the vineyard to invite lost souls to come to Him. I obeyed the call and took with me Sister Rebecca Morrison as a witness. We went to Pelmento Point. Eleuthera was the first place.

We found some Christians there that were truly converted but did not have the light on sanctification or the baptism of the Holy Ghost. We worked among them and the power of God was wonderfully manifested. The sick were healed. (Jas. 5:14.) Jesus said these signs shall follow them that believe. (Mark 16:18.) After opening up the Scriptures to them, the believers saw the light on sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Eight were sanctified and three received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, shouting under the mighty power of God. Praise the Lord.

We then went to Savannah Sound which was the next settlement. God was with us, twenty-eight souls were saved, six sanctified and two received the Holy Ghost. The devil fought but was defeated. Truly we can see these are the last days, Jesus declared in the last days there shall be scoffers. We can see on every hand that the coming of the Lord is near.

We then went to Tarpum Bay where we labored hard to win souls for the Lord. He blessed and gave us souls for our hire. Sixteen were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, shouting and praising God. Many more souls were convinced to the truth. We had persecutions on every side but we were glad to suffer for Jesus, He has suffered so much for us.

Your sister in Christ,
Clemencia J. Mallory, evangelist.

Colmar, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—
Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I praise God for full and free salvation. He has saved me from sin and baptized me with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. I thank Him for the dear old Church of God. Glory hallelujah! I have been in this way two years.

Brother Charlie Prince set a church in order here with ten members two years ago, but they have all scattered and left but wife and myself. We are here fighting the devil alone.

Dear Saints, pray that a Church of God preacher may come here and hold some meetings so that souls might be saved and that a church might be established again.

Your humble brother in Jesus name,

Doc Howerton.

Hazel Green, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—
Greetings in the Precious Name of Jesus:

I am praising God for victory in my soul and this is the victory even our faith. "Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him." Heb. 10:38.

I thank God for the way of holiness and for the healing power. My baby had something like the influenza and the Lord touched his little body and in about twenty minutes he was healed.

I am praising God for our state overseer, George T. Brouayer. He held a district meeting at Hazard, Ky. The Lord did wonderfully bless and the saints were edified. I thank God, I have a humble heart and want to obey them that have the rule over me. Hallelujah!

I praise God for the dear old Church of God and her teaching and am in it to stay until Jesus comes or calls.

Your brother in the battle field,
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